

Racquetball champ

Brian Simpson, son of Darlene Simpson, office, K mart 4867, Fort Wayne, Indiana, is an 11-year-old racquetball player whose success extends all the way to state competitions.

Brian won the state championship in the boys, 10 and under division and was a semi-finalist in the boys, 17 and under division in the statewide Summit City Open.

Locally, Brian placed second in the city racquetball tournament for boys, 14 and under.

Not only does Brian place well in the boy's leagues, but he also finishes on top in the men's leagues. He won first place in the men's 2.0 league, men's 2.5 league and women's 2.5 league (boys sometimes compete in women's leagues).

Brian also participates in Little League Baseball.



Larry Oelberg, K mart 7186, Galesburg, Illinois, proudly shows off his prize catch.

This one didn't get away

K mart 7186, Galesburg, Illinois, has had the pleasure of having on display a prize winning fish.

Employee Larry Oelberg caught the State of Illinois Record and World Record fish in the line class. His prize winning Tiger Muskie was caught on a 10 pound test line and measured 44 inches long and tipped the scales at 20 pounds and 13 ounces.

Larry had the fish mounted and on display with the trophies he has collected with the fish.

Larry caught the fish at Lake Story near Galesburg on a Mr. Twister bait.

His initial reaction was one of shock and disbelief when he landed the fish, especially using a 10 pound line. He figured that he never would have heard the end of it if he told everyone the story about "the one that got away."

But it didn't get away and he has the fish and trophy to prove it, both of which he will enjoy for years to come.

Famous friends, familiar faces

The employees of K mart 7124, Auburn, New York have been star struck.

It all began with David Coming, service desk. At the annual store Christmas party, David performed his dynamic version of "New York, New York."

David's interest in music was known to all,

but nothing could have prepared anyone for his performance that evening. It was done with such intensity and professionalism that the final outcome was a standing ovation that had the entire crowd cheering and shouting for more. David's future is definitely Broadway bound and everyone at 7124 will be proud to say "We knew him when."

While David is an up and coming star, Frank Scripps, footwear manager has his own personal shining star to brag about. Frank is cousin to the famous actress Sophia Loren. His family is from the same village in Italy and took the actress in during the destitute years of World War II.

And if this isn't enough, Miki Dorsey of domestics has a brother-in-law who is a professional artist. Bob Dorsey has just completed a portrait of Liza Minelli's dad, director Vincent Minelli. It was presented to Ms. Minelli at a party given by the star in honor of her father.

Store Reporter Joanne Millis



At K mart 3006, Omaha, Nebraska, Lou Ann Babcock presents Store Manager C. LaReau with a portrait that she painted for him.

This one's for you

Store 3006, Omaha, Nebraska is proud of their local artist. Recently Store Manager C. LaReau celebrated his birthday. A fellow employee knew of Lou Ann Babcock's talent and thought it would be a nice gift if Lou Ann would paint his portrait.

"After all, how many managers have a portrait

taken of themselves," Lou Ann says.

The finished work was a total likeness of Mr. LaReau.

Lou Ann has had an interest in art since she was four, but she's only had two years of formal training from high school. She is also a talented pianist.

Store Reporter Stanley Hale

Shoplifters, beware

At K mart 3469, Melbourne, Florida,

Will Kirby, loss prevention manager conducts goodwill seminars on shoplifting at local high schools.

Will does these visitations on his own time and educates young people about the costs of shoplifting both to local businesses and to individuals and families.

As such, Will is performing a valuable community service and is a real goodwill ambassador for K mart.

He recently received an award for "Outstanding Service" to the community presented to him by the Exchange Club of Melbourne.



Will Kirby, K mart 3469, Melbourne, Florida, accepts an award from a member of the Exchange Club of Melbourne.

Roundup at the K mart corral

Every year during February at K mart 3481, San Antonio, Texas Rodeo Days are celebrated.

In going along with the annual western tradition, employees participated fully by dressing western for the occasion.

The public enjoyed talking and shopping with the employees during Rodeo week.



Employees at K mart 3481, San Antonio, Texas decked out for Rodeo Days.